

MBA of Texas December 2022 Mission Reports

Since December 1st, **1 saved**, **0 baptized**, **0 joined by statement**. **0 Surrendered to Preach**
 The newly elected Secretary / Treasurer of Missions for the MBA of Texas is Bro. Daniel (Danny) Mendoza. His cell phone number is: (281)-948-5915.

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General Fund: \$780,244.00; Minute Fund: \$17,076.65; Missionary Training Fund: \$500

Borderland Baptist Church, December 2022 Report, Glenn McCarver

Christmas in the Borderland

Living in El Paso, one of the traditions is tamales. The church in Juarez had a Christmas service on the 18th, and after the service, food was served and of course there was tamales. The service was a time where we were able to focus on the greatest gift, Jesus Christ. Before the food was served, the church handed out presents to the children that attended (we had an attendance of about 25 between both children and adults). On Christmas Eve, we were invited to hold a service (in El Paso) where there were 11 in attendance. Also, of course, tamales were served (it is a Christmas Eve tradition). This is in the house of where we have started a new Bible Study. Praise God for allowing us to minister in the Borderland.

Opportunities

As the new year begins, we are grateful to know that God continues to bless with new opportunities. In addition to the new Bible study that we have in El Paso, we have many new contacts that God has put in our path. Some that we have crossed paths with are in the military (such as a former church member from our time in Minnesota, as well as a Muslim from the state of Georgia), some are homeless, and some are friends of friends. Please pray that we can be used to reach these people (as well as others) this year.

God with us

One of the people that God has placed in our lives is Emmanuel. Amy was having a conversation with him when he said that he would like to be baptized. She was able to explain to him that wouldn't affect his eternity (salvation) and told him that he needed to repent of his sin and ask God to save him from the penalty of sin. After she showed him the Roman Road, he did just that and is now a brother in Christ. When we contacted him this week about coming to church, he said that he would be able to come next week (8th of January) and asked if he could also bring his brother with him. Praise God that through Emmanuel's salvation, He once again proved that God is with us!

In His Service,
 Glenn McCarver

Sunday morning- 10 Sunday (Mexico)- 18 Tuesday- 9 Wednesday (Mexico)- 12
 Special Bible Study- 11 Visitors- 1 First time visitors- 1 Missions- \$50

Hwy. 288 Church Planting!
Bringing the Gospel to Houston's next major growth corridor!
December 2022 Report for Missionary Baptist Association of
Texas State Missionary Greg Devine

Even though November was the one year wrap-up month with the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas meeting, December has been another great month of reflection as we approach the end of 2022. We have so much to look back on with our family, and with the new church that is taking shape in Lake Jackson. The celebration of the birth of Jesus at Christmas time is always a special time of pause and rest for our family, and we hope that your Christmas was blessed as well. We are excited about everything that we anticipate the Lord doing in His work in 2023, and then getting to share it all with you.

On **Saturday, January 21**, we will have an **organization service** for the Lake Jackson church plant. It will take place at my sending church, **Unity MBC of Richwood, at 10:00 am** with lunch to follow. We are anticipating about 13 people to be a part of the charter membership of this new church. Please join us if you are able.

- I will continue to be a member of Unity MBC, and remain on their staff as missionary. In keeping with the overall vision of 288 Church Planting, I will continue to explore possibilities of starting other new Bible studies in Rosharon and other locations along the Highway 288 corridor in order to see other churches planted. I will also continue to lead the Lake Jackson church plant as it continues to grow.

- In Lake Jackson, we took a break from the Sunday evening Bible study in our home for most of December. The last meeting we held had a **new record high attendance of 33**. God has really blessed in these gatherings, and it is time for us to consider expanding to 2 meetings per week. Sunday morning gatherings continued to have a regular attendance in the mid-twenties, and a sweet spirit of fellowship and worship with every gathering.

- Amy and I continue to make connections with young families during our time at the Pregnancy Help Center. One of these families attended Sunday morning worship and Sunday evening Bible study in early December. Please pray for us to have continued contact with this family, and for the children's dad to be saved.

Pastor Greg Devine.

Shiloh Baptist Church, December 2022 Report.

Salvation: 1, Church offerings \$5406, Paid to Missions \$546,
 Sunday School attendance 30, Sunday Morning Worship 35, Sunday Evening 20, Wednesday evening 16

Work: The month of December has been very busy for Shiloh MBC. We start off with the events to the celebration of Life for Brother Jose Garcia. As I was over at the home of the brother and Sister Garcia (we were finalizing the planning the celebration of Life on the back porch with Maryjane and her youngest son John Peter) He noticed how through the process of his stepdad in hospice care how the blood family was not there for support and that Shiloh MBC was there both physically and financially with provisions. The results of witnessing how God was working through Jesus Christ as seeing the peace his mother had, John Peter wanted this peace of comfort, after sharing the gospel of the need of salvation and prayer as he asked Jesus into his heart and the Lord answered. Not for his mother's sake but for his own sake, pray as he takes the next step of discipleship and baptism. We hosted the Local Mission Valley Pastor/Wife

Christmas luncheon and had great fellowship. We missed a couple of churches that were not there as one was having a memorial service for one of their members that went to be with the Lord. As the weather has been unusual with a major cold wave, we have experienced many illnesses including one whole family with Covid, one with pneumonia, many with flu symptoms, and other with major health issues. We were able to have candlelight services on Wednesday the week of Christmas, A Christmas Luncheon and fellowship gifts and had Christmas morning bible studies and worship service of the greatest gift that God blessed this world with the birth of Jesus Christ. Building Fund: The building fund has been a true blessing for us this year as we were blessed by the TMD funds of over \$34,000.00 and what we raised along with many churches contributing to the fund we are over \$62,191.16. which is another praise of thankfulness to our Lord for a giving heart. We are in the process of prequalifying and should know something in Mid-January

Prayer Request: Heath of sister Ramona as we have a follow up doctor appt. on Jan 5 to make arrangements for a hysterectomy and for closing out the year going to the hospital due to a bulge disc in her neck pinching the nerves of the spindle cord. For myself as we are at a stalemate over insurance denying and approval of a second surgery for the two large kidney stone stuck in the right kidney for over two months, we have changed our affordable care insurance over to Blue Cross and will going over the process to removal after the first of the year. Pastor Victor Rice

Lifeline Baptist Church, Mansfield TX

Texas Intercultural Ministries Report, December 2022

“The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. Therefore, pray to the lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.”

Christmas Play: We were so blessed to have a good number of children join our play along with their parents from our local neighborhoods. Jase Fuller, our Youth Pastor, and Krystal Axome, along with Mary Jones all worked together to make this a great event for our church and families. Although we did not reach our goal of 50 this year, yet we were in the 40's four different times. We thank God for the new guests we are receiving and the increased faithfulness of our members. Praise God for His goodness to us.

Year End: We have had a great year despite so many setbacks! We have had 4 Sundays in the last three months where we had more than 40 in attendance. We rejoice that our folks are reaching out and encouraging their friends to come out to church.

Prayer Request: Please pray that our land title will be cleared by the first of the year or shortly thereafter. The struggle has been long, but our Gibbs Lawyer has been working steadily to get everything settled for us. We have an LOI (Letter Of Intent to purchase) in the amt of \$550,000. The buyer is patiently waiting for us to negotiate all the legalities of the title. It's getting closer to resolution as we write this report.

Jase Fuller Builds Christmas Sled with Young People: Jase, our youth pastor, rounded up kids from the neighborhood and built a sled from the yard swing! They also made wooden lanterns which they cut out with Jase's help. These same kids were recruited for our Christmas play and thoroughly enjoyed the fun time they had together.

Thank you all for Prayers and Support, Bro. David Smith!

Stats: First Time Guests-8, Saved-0, Worship Avg.-31, Wednesday Small Group- 10

Gen. Offerings-\$3416, Missions-\$250, Faith Promise Missions-\$405, Lifeline Paid Pstr-\$450

Bangladesh Missions- \$1627 sent, Rent-\$725

Landmark MBC, Rockdale, TX: Bro. Larry Watson December 2022 Report

December Stats: Sunday AM 12, Sunday Afternoon 6, Wednesday 6. Offering \$2713, Missions \$533

December has come and gone so quickly, much like the rest of the year. We have had a busy month, both at church and at home. We had many out due to travel and other various reasons. December was hard. I don't like to focus on the hard times and would love for every report we write to be all positive, but we know that there be times when we struggle, and this was one of those months. Even in the hard times we had this month, God has remained faithful. We have had many beautiful moments this month as well. As a church we fellowshiped together, we worshiped together, we prayed for one another, and embraced each other. We held our first Christmas Eve Candlelight service, we had 25 in attendance and 6 of them were first time visitors, and 4 were returning visitors, many of our church members were away. It was a beautiful service, and the visitors stayed a little while afterwards to fellowship. It was a blessing to see people come out, to take the time out of what has become such a busy few weeks, running here and there and doing this and that, to just slow down, and focus on WHY we celebrate Christmas. We are looking forward to the new year, to more opportunities to tell others about Jesus, to grow closer to Him, and each other. Please remember us in prayer, as we have a few with health concerns, we have spiritual needs, and we're praying that our revival meeting in March, truly sparks Revival in our church, and community. God Bless you all! Thank you for your prayers and support! Larry Watson

Texas Tech University, Red Raider MBSF,

Bro. Steven Haney, Director, December 2022 Report

It's the holiday break which means that students finish up classes on December 13th and will head for home, not to return until January 12th! We were able to have our last Bible study on December 5th and had our Semester ending "Breakfast for Dinner" party on December 9th at our house. For the Bible study we had 6 in attendance and had a lesson over being "New in Christ" as well as discussing possible lesson topics for the Spring semester and our goals. The students chose to start a lesson series on self-control/saying no to self with a desire to remove to sinful habits, thoughts, and life-styles from ourselves through Christ. For the goals for the New Year they decided on: being more active individually in campus outreach for the MBSF, inviting a new friend each week, making specific plans to witness at least once a week, being more active as individuals in our Bible studies, and our officers wanted to make it a goal to take on more leadership responsibility. It was a great Bible study time to end the semester. For our "Breakfast for Dinner" we had 8 in attendance with 3 of our regulars unable to make it but had 2 new students show up! We had intended to eat the biscuits, gravy, eggs, and bacon/sausage and then watch a Christmas movie but ended up just sitting at the table just eating and talking until late. It was good seeing the students enjoy hanging out with each other and I want to see those bonds continue to grow. We are also excited about the possibility of getting an MBSF building this coming year! The Ladies Auxiliary and the MBA of Texas were extremely generous to us and we have had other churches and individuals continue to send money in this month towards the building. We are close to \$51,000 towards the building and are will be on the ballot for the first quarter TMD funds for the MBSF building. We are currently at about \$3,700/month of our \$4,500/month goal! God has blessed us so much and we are so

excited for this coming semester! If you have any questions or concerns please let me know at (806) 470-2850 or S_haneybsf@outlook.com! Thank you again and God bless!

December 2022 Fellowship Baptist Mission

We have had several visitors this month; however, we have three young adults who are visiting faithfully. Please be in prayer with us that they follow the Lord's will. This month we have had one rededication. The Mission is currently looking for a pastor; please keep us in your prayers as we move forward.

Our averages for December 2022:

Sunday School.....	24
Morning worship.....	25
Evening Worship.....	14
Wednesday Bible Study.....	12

The total offerings of members	\$6499.57
Gave to Missions	\$749.96

Thank you for your prayer and offerings.
Bro. Joe